

chandise in towns other than their place of residence.

Senate bill amending the law as to peddlers by specifically defining a peddler.

Senate bill giving mortgagee the right to inspect mortgaged property at any time.

By Senators Townsend, Warren and Murray:

Petitions numerous signed respectively by citizens of Lufkin, Corsicana and Stockdale disfavoring the bill known as the Full Crew and asking that same do not pass.

By Senator Ratliff:

Petition numerous signed by citizens and voters of Titus county asking that Franklin county be permitted to remain where it is located in the Fifth Judicial District should a change in the district be contemplated.

By Senator Murray:

Petition numerous signed by citizens of his district requesting support of House bill No. 28, which provides that all convict goods be labelled "Convict made."

By Senator Murray:

Petition numerous signed by citizens of his district asking the Legislature to enact laws authorizing county commissioners courts to contract for the collection of delinquent taxes with county attorney's and allow the latter the same fees as are permitted to unofficial persons.

By Senator Ward:

Petition numerous signed by citizens of Grandview and Hillsboro asking support of an amendment to the Anti-pass law permitting railroad companies to grant free passes to volunteer fire companies en route to and from attendance on their State and National conventions.

SEVENTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,

Tuesday, Feb. 7, 1911.

The Senate met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by President Pro Tem. Hudspeth.

Roll called; quorum being present,

the following Senators answering to their names:

Adams.	Peeler.
Astin.	Perkins.
Bryan.	Ratliff.
Carter.	Real.
Cofer.	Terrell, McLennan.
Collins.	Terrell, Wise.
Greer.	Townsend.
Hudspeth.	Vaughan.
Hume.	Ward.
Kauffman.	Warren.
Lattimore.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
McNealus.	Willacy.
Murray.	

Absent.

Johnson.	Paulus.
Meachum.	Sturgeon.

Prayer by the chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal of yesterday, on motion of Senator Perkins the same was dispensed with.

REGULAR ORDER.

The regular order of business was called (see Appendix for "Committee Reports" and "Petitions and Memorials").

(Senator Weinert in the chair.)

EXCUSED.

On account of committee work:

Senator Cofer for Saturday and yesterday, on motion of Senator Ratliff.

Senator Ratliff for Saturday, on motion of Senator Cofer.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

By Senator Mayfield:

Senate bill No. 186, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 56 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirty-first Legislature (1909), approved March 17, 1909, relating to the State Institution for the Training of Juveniles," by adding thereto a new article to be known as Article 2947a, providing for religious services at said institution and the employment of a chaplain, and declaring an emergency.

Read first time and referred to Committee on Educational Affairs.

By Senator Hudspeth:

Senate bill No. 187, A bill to be

entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 42 of the Acts of the Thirtieth Legislature by adding thereto Section 2a, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

By Senator Ward:

Senate bill No. 188, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 14 of special road law of Johnson county, passed at the Regular Session of the Twenty-ninth Legislature."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

By Senator Lattimore:

Senate bill No. 189, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 62 of Article 642 of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas, as passed at the Regular Session of the Twenty-ninth Legislature, repealing all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No 1.

By Senator Willacy:

Senate bill No. 190, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the creation of commission form of government cities with a population of less than five thousand inhabitants in the State of Texas, and authorizing cities and towns and villages incorporated under the General Laws of the State of Texas to adopt the commission form of government city; providing for the rights, powers, duties and privileges of such commission form of government; providing for the officers of such commission form of government city; their rights, duties, powers and privileges; validating all cities incorporated under Chapter 106 of the Acts of the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, especially validating all proceedings had by such cities, provided such proceedings have embrace subject matter not prohibited by the General Laws.

Read first time and referred to Committee on Town and City Corporations.

By Senator McNealus:

Senate bill No. 191, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Texas Traction Company, a corporation, to purchase the Denison & Sherman Railway Company, a corporation, and to acquire, own, maintain and oper-

ate the properties now owned by the said Denison & Sherman Railway Company, including its lines of railway in the cities of Denison and Sherman, Grayson county, Texas, as well as its interurban railway connecting said cities, together with all franchises and rights possessed, owned and enjoyed by it, the Denison & Sherman Railway Company, and authorizing the said Denison & Sherman Railway Company, in case of said sale and purchase, to convey, assign and deliver its properties, franchises and rights to the Texas Traction Company, to be owned and operated under its charter as part of its own lines, and to authorize the Denison & Sherman Railway Company to convert a part of its capital stock into second mortgage bonds, and to authorize the Denison & Sherman Railway Company to execute a new mortgage to take up the outstanding mortgage for \$50,000.00, and to authorize the Texas Traction Company to mortgage the property so acquired, all to be subject to existing mortgages and liens."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

By Senator McNealus:

Senate bill No. 192, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 20 of Chapter 411, Special Laws of the Acts of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Texas, entitled an Act to create a more efficient road system for Dallas county, Texas, fixing the duties and powers of the commissioners court of said county relative to roads and bridges, to authorize the commissioners court of Dallas county to issue bonds for the purposes of building, constructing and repairing roads and bridges in said county, and prescribing limitations upon the exercise of such power, and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries.

Morning call concluded.

(By unanimous consent after the conclusion of the morning call.)

By Senators Vaughan and Collins:

Senate bill No. 194, A bill to be entitled "An Act to secure the right of trial by jury in cases of indirect contempt of court."

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

By Senator Kauffman:

Senate bill No. 194, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 1098 (1066) of Chapter 3 of the Code of Criminal Procedure of the Revised Statutes of 1895, referring to the pay of jail guard and declaring an emergency."

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

By Senator Kauffman:

Senate bill No. 195, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide Day of Weekly Rest and to provide penalties for violation thereof and to repeal Articles 196, 197, 198, 199 and 200 of the Penal Code and all other laws in conflict herewith."

Read first time and referred to Judiciary Committee No. 2.

SENATE BILL NO. 26.

The Chair, Senator Weinert, laid before the Senate on second reading and a special order,

Senate bill No. 26, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide additional compensation to all judges of district courts, district attorneys of the State of Texas, and to judges of the criminal district court of Harris and Galveston counties, by allowing compensation for actual and necessary expenses when engaged in the discharge of their official duties in counties other than the county of their residence, and declaring an emergency"

The bill having been read,

Senator Watson offered the following amendment:

Amend the bill page 1 by adding after the word "Act" in line 29 the following: "Provided there shall never be paid to any such judge or district attorney more than the sum of four hundred dollars in any one year under the provisions of this Act."

Senator Murray offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend the amendment by adding the following: "Provided not more than two hundred dollars shall be drawn during any six months of service"

The amendment to the amendment was adopted.

The amendment, as amended, was then adopted.

Senator Lattimore offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend by adding at the end of Section 1, on page one of the bill the following: "Provided further that the account of such services above provided for shall be recorded in the minute book of the district court of the county in which such district judge or district attorney shall reside."

Bill read second time, and ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Watson, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Peeler.
Astin.	Perkins.
Bryan.	Ratliff.
Carter.	Real.
Cofer.	Terrell, McLennan.
Collins.	Townsend.
Hudspeth.	Vaughan.
Hume.	Ward.
Kauffman.	Warren.
Lattimore.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
McNealus.	Willacy.
Murray.	

Nays—2.

Greer.	Terrell, Wise.
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Absent.

Johnson.	Paulus.
Meachum.	Sturgeon.

The bill was read third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Peeler.
Astin.	Perkins.
Bryan.	Ratliff.
Cofer.	Real.
Collins.	Terrell, McLennan.
Hudspeth.	Vaughan.
Hume.	Ward.
Kauffman.	Warren.
Lattimore.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
McNealus.	Willacy.
Murray.	

Nays—4.

Carter.	Terrell, Wise.
Greer.	Townsend.

Absent.

Johnson. Paulus.
Meachum. Sturgeon.

Senator Watson moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO 89—SPECIAL ORDER.

On motion of Senator Perkins, the pending order of business (simple resolutions) was suspended, and the senate took up, out of its order, Senate bill No. 89 by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams. Peeler.
Astin. Perkins.
Bryan. Ratliff.
Carter. Real.
Cofer. Terrell, McLennan.
Collins. Townsend.
Hudspeth. Ward.
Hume. Warren.
Kauffman. Watson.
Lattimore. Weinert.
Mayfield. Willacy.
McNealus.

Nays—2.

Greer. Vaughan.

Present—Not Voting.

Murray. Terrell, Wise.

Absent.

Johnson. Paulus.
Meachum. Sturgeon.

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading,

Senate bill No. 89, A bill to be entitled "An Act to fix and declare the right of contract in certain cases, and to regulate the making of contracts between publishers of newspapers, periodicals and other publications regularly issued, and railroad, inter-urban, and other transportation companies"

On motion of Senator Perkins, the bill was made a special order for tomorrow morning after the conclusion of the morning call.

SENATE BILL NO. 109.

On motion of Senator Cofer, the pending order of business (simple

resolutions) was suspended, and the Senate took up, out of its order, Senate bill No. 109, by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams. Murray.
Bryan. Peeler.
Carter. Perkins.
Cofer. Ratliff.
Collins. Terrell, Wise.
Greer. Townsend.
Hudspeth. Vaughan.
Hume. Ward.
Kauffman. Warren.
Lattimore. Watson.
Mayfield. Weinert.
McNealus. Willacy.

Absent.

Astin. Real.
Johnson. Sturgeon.
Meachum. Terrell, McLennan.
Paulus.

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading,

Senate bill No. 109, A bill to be entitled "An Act abolishing what is known as 'The Rule in Shelley's Case,' and making a rule of evidence in certain cases so that the word 'heirs' or 'heirs of the body' shall be construed as words of purchase and not as words of limitation, and declaring an emergency."

The bill having been read, Senator Cofer offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend line 20, page 1, by striking out word "reminder" and insert in lieu thereof the word "remainder."

Senator Cofer offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend line 15, page 1, by striking out the word "divided" and insert in lieu thereof the word "devised."

Senator Warren offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend line 19, page 1 by striking out the word "inheritance" and substituting in lieu thereof the words "fee simple."

Senator Cofer offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend line 14, page 1 by spelling "hereditiments" correctly, make it "hereditaments."

Senator Cofer offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend line 14, page 1, by adding before the word "wherever" the following: "The rule in Shelley's Case is abolished and shall no longer be the rule of decision hereafter"; and change the capital "W" at the beginning of said line to a small "w."

(President Pro Tem. Hudspeth in the chair.)

STANDING COMMITTEES—APPOINTMENT OF.

The Chair (President Pro Tem. Hudspeth) laid the following before the Senate:

Under a resolution passed by the Senate at a former day of this session authorizing me, as president of this body, to appoint three special committees to redistrict this State into Congressional, Senatorial and Representative districts according to the law and Constitution of this State, I now, in obedience to such demand of this body, appoint the following committees to redistrict this State:

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS.

Hudspeth, Chairman; Johnson, Kauffman, McNealus, Meachum, Murray, Ratliff, Terrell of McLennan, Terrell of Wise, Watson and Willacy.

SENATORIAL DISTRICTS.

Hume, Chairman; Adams, Bryan, Greer, Mayfield, Peeler, Sturgeon, Ward, Warren, Weinert and Astin.

REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICTS.

Peeler, Chairman; Astin, Cofer, Collins, Johnson, Lattimore, Paulus, Real, Townsend, Vaughan and Weinert.

Senator T. W. Perkins of Collin county, and Senator E. H. Carter of Shelby county, declined to serve on any of the above committees, and for that reason, at their request, their names have been omitted therefrom.

A. B. DAVIDSON,

Lieutenant Governor of Texas.

ASSIGNMENT OF COMMITTEE CLERKS.

Finance Committee — Terry Haussman.

Judiciary Committee No. 2.—C. R. Buchanan.

Judiciary Committee No. 1—J. C. Canty.

Internal Improvements Committee—Oliver Aldrich.

Assistant Notarial Clerk—Mrs. Shirley.

Journal Mailing Clerk—Mrs. Herring.

Educational Affairs Committee—Finton Hall.

Towns and City Corporations Committee—W. B. Tatum.

All committee clerks and stenographers, except Terry Haussman, who has been assigned to the Finance Committee, will perform such additional service as may be requested of them by the chairman of the respective standing committees or by any Senator.

A. B. DAVIDSON,

Lieutenant Governor of Texas.

SENATE BILL NO. 109.

Action recurred on Senate bill No. 109, the pending business, and Senator Lattimore offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend Section 1, page 1, of the bill, line 12, by striking out all after the word "add" down to the word "another."

Senator Vaughan offered the following amendment:

Amend by striking out the words "to be words of," in line 19, and all of line 20, and insert in lieu thereof "according to the intention of the testator or grantor, as the case may be, to be gathered from the whole instrument under the rules of law governing the construction of written instruments."

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—15.

Bryan.	Peeler.
Carter.	Terrell, McLennan.
Collins.	Terrell, Wise.
Greer.	Townsend.
Hudspeth.	Vaughan.
Lattimore.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
McNealus.	

Nays—7.

Adams.	Real.
Astin.	Ward.
Cofer.	Warren.
Ratliff.	

Present—Not voting.

Hume. Perkins.
Murray.

Absent.

Johnson. Paulus.
Kauffman. Sturgeon.
Meachum. Watson.

FIRST HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives.
Austin, Texas, Feb. 7, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of
the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House
to inform the Senate that the House
has passed the following bills:

House bill No. 240, A bill to be
entitled "An Act making appropri-
ations for the deficiencies in the ap-
propriations heretofore made for the
support of the State Government for
the fiscal year ending August 31,
1911, and declaring an emergency."

House bill No. 325, A bill to be en-
titled "An Act to make an appropria-
tion for one clerk for the Commis-
sioner of Pensions for the fiscal year
ending August 31, 1911, and declar-
ing an emergency."

Senate bill No. 96, A bill to be en-
titled "An Act making an appropria-
tion to pay for repairs contracted for
by the Board of Managers of the
North Texas Hospital for the In-
sane, and declaring an emergency."

Also concurs in Senate amend-
ments to House Joint Resolution
No. 2.

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,

Chief Clerk, House of Representa-
tives.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Chair laid before the Senate
the following message from the Gov-
ernor, which had been previously
presented to the Senate by the pri-
vate secretary to the Governor:

Executive Office,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 7, 1911.

To the Senate: I respectfully ask
the advice and consent of the Senate
to the following appointments:

To be Member of the Live Stock
Sanitary Commission—J. Willis
Johnson of Tom Green county, vice
James H. Callan, resigned.

To be Member of the Board of
Trustees for the Agricultural and

Mechanical College—R. L. Bennett
of Lamar county, vice Paul Waples,
resigned.

To be Pilot Commissioners for the
Port of Galveston—Charles H. Moore
and Browning Gross, representing
the business men and merchants;
Daniel McBride, T. L. Cross and T.
J. Anderson, seamen.

To be Public Weighers at Galves-
ton—E. K. Marrast, J. E. Labuzan,
C. M. Wolston and A. N. Hoecker.

To be Member of the Board of Re-
gents for the College of Industrial
Arts at Denton—S. P. Hardwicke of
Taylor county, vice A. S. Hardwicke,
resigned.

To be Members of the Board of
Managers of the State Orphans'
Home at Corsicana—John H. Rice of
Navarro county, vice R. S. Neblett,
declined.

To be Members of the State Board
of Pharmacy—J. A. Weeks of Rey-
nolds county, H. C. Jackson of Travis
county, W. H. Roberts of Gonzales
county, M. V. Schumann of Comal
county, J. R. Crittendon of Freestone
county.

To be Members of the State Board
of Nurse Examiners—Miss Maud
Muller of Bexar county, Miss Mildred
Bridges of Tarrant county, Miss Lucy
Bronson of Bell county, Miss M. E.
Chumley of McLennan county, Miss
Clara L. Shackford of Galveston
county.

To be Member of the State Mining
Board—William Wimbley of Wise
county, vice G. T. Griffiths, declined.

To be Notaries Public in and for
Travis County—F. H. Hargon and
Miss Jennie Brin for Secretary of
State's Department; Miss Minnie
Simpson for Adjutant General's De-
partment; Miss Louise Cope, for
Comptroller's Department; H. L.
Haynes, Charles V. Johnson, Miss
Lena Riddle and Miss Annie John-
son, for the Department of Insur-
ance and Banking; Herbert S. Mor-
gan, for the State Purchasing Agent's
Department; J. H. French, for the
Governor's Office; A. B. Cates, for
Superintendent of Public Buildings
and Grounds Department.

Respectfully submitted,

O. B. COLQUITT,

Governor.

EXECUTIVE SESSION—TIME
SET FOR.

Senator Hume moved that the Sen-

ate go into executive session today at 3:10 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of considering the above appointments.

The motion was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—24.

Adams.	Murray.
Astin.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Perkins.
Carter.	Ratliff.
Cofer.	Terrell, McLennan.
Collins.	Terrell, Wise.
Greer.	Townsend.
Hudspeth.	Vaughan.
Hume.	Ward.
Lattimore.	Warren.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
McNealus.	Willacy.

Absent.

Johnson.	Real.
Kauffman.	Sturgeon.
Meachum.	Watson.
Paulus.	

SENATE BILL NO. 109.

Action recurred on the pending business, Senate bill No. 109, and

Senator Cofer offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted.

Amend the line as amended by adding after the word "testator" in the amendment, a comma and then the word "donor" and before the word "grantor" the word "other."

Bill read second time, and ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Cofer, the Constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspend and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Murray.
Astin.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Perkins.
Carter.	Ratliff.
Cofer.	Real.
Collins.	Terrell, McLennan.
Greer.	Terrell, Wise.
Hudspeth.	Townsend.
Hume.	Vaughan.
Kauffman.	Ward.
Lattimore.	Warren.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
McNealus.	Willacy.

Absent.

Johnson.	Sturgeon.
Meachum.	Watson.
Paulus.	

The bill was read third time, and Senator Cofer offered the following amendment:

Amend the caption, line 8 and line 9, page 1, by striking out the words "as words of purchase" and insert in lieu thereof the word "accounting to the intention of the testator, donor or other grantor."

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—27.

Adams.	Peeler.
Astin.	Perkins.
Bryan.	Ratliff.
Carter.	Real.
Cofer.	Terrell, McLennan.
Collins.	Terrell, Wise.
Greer.	Townsend.
Hudspeth.	Vaughan.
Hume.	Ward.
Kauffman.	Warren.
Lattimore.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
McNealus.	Willacy.
Murray.	

Absent.

Johnson.	Paulus.
Meachum.	Sturgeon.

The bill was read third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Adams.	Perkins.
Astin.	Real.
Bryan.	Terrell, McLennan.
Carter.	Terrell, Wise.
Cofer.	Townsend.
Collins.	Vaughan.
Greer.	Ward.
Hudspeth.	Warren.
Lattimore.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
McNealus.	

Nays—5.

Hume.	Peeler.
Kauffman.	Watson.
Murray.	

Absent.

Johnson.	Ratliff.
Meachum.	Sturgeon.
Paulus.	

Senator Cofer moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

EXCUSED.

On account of committee work:

Senators Astin, Kauffman, for non-attendance for Monday, on motion of Senator Ratliff.

Senators Collins and Terrell of Wise for Saturday and Monday, on motion of Senator Mayfield.

Senator Real for last Wednesday, on motion of Senator Peeler.

SENATE BILL NO. 41—MADE SPECIAL ORDER.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading

Senate bill No. 41, A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the payment of wages to employes in certain employments within the State of Texas."

Senator Vaughan moved that the bill be made a special order for next Wednesday, February 15, after the conclusion of the morning call.

The motion was adopted.

SENATE BILL NO. 69.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading,

Senate bill No. 69, "An Act to repeal an Act passed by the First Called Session of the Twenty-eighth Legislature, which convened on the second day of April, 1903, and adjourned on the first day of May, 1903, said Act being known as House bill No. 13, and Chapter 1 of the Special Acts of the First Called Session of the Twenty-eighth Legislature."

The bill having been read, Senator Weinert offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend the bill by striking out all after the enacting clause in Section 1 and insert the following:

Section 1. That the caption of said Act be so amended as to hereafter read as follows: "An Act to render more effective and efficient the present road law in the State of Texas in its application and operation in the counties of Bee, Jackson, Grimes, Comal, Colorado, Hays, Gillespie, Wood, Jefferson and Maverick;

and to authorize and empower the said counties to issue bonds for the construction or purchasing of bridges and construction and maintenance of public roads and highways within said counties, and regulating the compensation of certain officers."

Senator Weinert offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend the bill by striking out all of Section 2 and insert the following:

Section 2. That Section 1 of said Act be so amended as to hereafter read as follows:

Section 1. Each member of the commissioners' courts of said counties of Bee, Jackson, Grimes, Comal, Colorado, Hays, Gillespie, Wood, Jefferson and Maverick, respectively, shall be, and is hereby created road commissioner of the respective commissioners' districts of the said counties.

Section 3. The fact that many of the citizens of Guadalupe county object to the commissioners' court issuing bonds for road purposes; and the further fact that the county levied a special 15 cent road tax, make it imperative that this Act take effect and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Senator Weinert offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend the bill by striking out all of the caption after the words "An Act" and insert the following:

"To amend the Act of the Twenty-eighth Legislature of Texas (Laws of Special Session, Chapter 1) entitled 'An Act to render more effective and efficient the present road law in the state of Texas in its application and operation in the counties of Guadalupe, Caldwell, Bee, Jackson, Grimes, Comal, Colorado, Hays, Gillespie, Wood, Jefferson and Maverick; and to authorize and empower the said counties to issue bonds for the construction or purchasing of bridges and construction and maintenance of public roads and highways within the said counties, and regulating the compensation of certain officers,' and amended by an Act passed by the Twenty-ninth Legislature, House bill 173, approved March 29, 1905, by omitting the county of Caldwell from said Act, by further omitting the county of Guadalupe from said Act and to hereafter read as follows."

Bill read second time, and ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Weinert the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Murray.
Astin.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Perkins.
Carter.	Real.
Cofer.	Terrell, McLennan.
Collins.	Townsend.
Greer.	Vaughan.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Warren.
Kauffman.	Watson.
Lattimore.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
McNealus.	

Absent.

Johnson.	Ratliff.
Meachum.	Sturgeon.
Paulus.	Terrell, Wise.

Senator Weinert offered the following amendment:

Amend the caption by adding "declaring an emergency."

The amendment was read and adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Murray.
Astin.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Perkins.
Carter.	Real.
Cofer.	Terrell, McLennan.
Collins.	Townsend.
Greer.	Vaughan.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Warren.
Kauffman.	Watson.
Lattimore.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
McNealus.	

Absent.

Johnson.	Ratliff.
Meachum.	Sturgeon.
Paulus.	Terrell, Wise.

The bill was read third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Carter.
Astin.	Cofer.
Bryan.	Collins.

Greer.	Real.
Hudspeth.	Terrell, McLennan.
Hume.	Townsend.
Kauffman.	Vaughan.
Lattimore.	Ward.
Mayfield.	Warren.
McNealus.	Watson.
Murray.	Weinert.
Peeler.	Willacy.
Perkins.	

Absent.

Johnson.	Ratliff.
Meachum.	Sturgeon.
Paulus.	Terrell, Wise.

Senator Weinert moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

By Senator Perkins, by unanimous consent:

Whereas, The Texas Industrial Congress has offered a series of prizes, aggregating the sum of \$10,000, for the best crops grown in Texas during the current year, with the view of stimulating interest in intensive and scientific agriculture, and

Whereas, this movement promises to be of great value to the State and is worthy of encouragement, be it

Resolved by the Senate, that Colonel Henry Exall of Dallas, President of said Texas Industrial Congress, be invited to address the Senate, at some time convenient to himself, upon the work of the Congress, its plans and purposes.

Carter, Cofer, Warren, Murray, Hume, Greer, Collins, Weinert, Ward, Hudspeth, McNealus, Perkins, Ratliff, Adams, Kauffman, Watson, Bryan, Willacy, Mayfield, Terrell of McLennan, Peeler, Astin, Real, Lattimore, Townsend, Vaughan.

The resolution was read and adopted.

HOUSE BILL NO. 89.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

Senator Collins called up, by unanimous consent, House bill No. 89, and on motion of Senator Collins the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report).

The committee report, which pro-

vided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading,

House bill No. 89. A bill to be entitled "An Act to confer upon the county court of Jasper county the civil and criminal jurisdiction belonging to said court under the Constitution and General Statutes of Texas, to define the jurisdiction of said court, to conform the jurisdiction of the district court of said county to said change, to fix the time of holding court, and to repeal all laws in conflict with this Act, and declaring an emergency."

Bill read second time, and passed to a third reading.

On motion of Senator Collins, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—21.

Adams.	McNealus.
Astin.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Perkins.
Carter.	Townsend.
Cofer.	Vaughan.
Collins.	Ward.
Hudspeth.	Warren.
Hume.	Watson.
Kauffman.	Weinert.
Lattimore.	Willacy.
Mayfield.	

Absent.

Greer.	Ratliff.
Johnson.	Real.
Meachum.	Sturgeon.
Murray.	Terrell, McLennan.
Paulus.	Terrell, Wise.

The bill was read third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—22.

Adams.	McNealus.
Astin.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Perkins.
Carter.	Terrell, McLennan.
Cofer.	Townsend.
Collins.	Vaughan.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Warren.
Kauffman.	Watson.
Lattimore.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.

Absent.

Greer.	Ratliff.
Johnson.	Real.
Meachum.	Sturgeon.
Murray.	Terrell, Wise.
Paulus.	

Senator Collins moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table. The motion to table prevailed.

SENATE BILL NO. 192.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

Senator McNealus called up by unanimous consent

Senate bill No. 192, and on motion of Senator McNealus the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its second reading by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Peeler.
Astin.	Perkins.
Carter.	Real.
Cofer.	Terrell, McLennan.
Collins.	Townsend.
Greer.	Vaughan.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Warren.
Kauffman.	Watson.
Lattimore.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
McNealus.	

Absent.

Bryan.	Paulus.
Johnson.	Ratliff.
Meachum.	Sturgeon.
Murray.	Terrell, Wise.

On motion of Senator McNealus, the Senate rule requiring committee reports to lie over for one day was suspended, for the purpose of considering this bill (see Appendix for committee report).

The committee report, which provided that the bill be not printed, was adopted.

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading,

Senate bill No. 192, a local road law for Dallas county (see caption under head of Bills and Resolutions).

Bill read second time, and ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator McNealus, the

constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—23

Adams.	Peeler.
Astin.	Perkins.
Carter.	Real.
Cofer.	Terrell, McLennan.
Collins.	Townsend.
Greer.	Vaughan.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Warren.
Kauffman.	Watson.
Lattimore.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
McNealus.	

Absent.

Bryan.	Paulus.
Johnson.	Ratliff.
Meachum.	Sturgeon.
Murray.	Terrell, Wise.

The bill was read third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Peeler.
Astin.	Perkins.
Carter.	Real.
Cofer.	Terrell, McLennan.
Collins.	Townsend.
Greer.	Vaughan.
Hudspeth.	Ward.
Hume.	Warren.
Kauffman.	Watson.
Lattimore.	Weinert.
Mayfield.	Willacy.
McNealus.	

Absent.

Bryan.	Paulus.
Johnson.	Ratliff.
Meachum.	Sturgeon.
Murray.	Terrell, Wise.

Senator McNealus moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

RECESS.

On motion of Senator Terrell of McLennan, the Senate, at 1 o'clock p. m., recessed until 3 o'clock today.

AFTER RECESS.

The Senate was called to order by President Pro Tem. Hudspeth.

SECOND HOUSE MESSAGE.

Hall of the House of Representatives.
Austin, Texas, Feb. 7, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: I am directed by the House to inform the Senate that the House has passed the following:

House Concurrent Resolution No. 8, "Providing for the creation of a commission to investigate and report to the Legislature of this State during its present session a bill to fairly compensate employes for injuries received in the course of employment, and defining the duties of said commission, and making an appropriation to carry same into effect."

Respectfully,

BOB BARKER,

Chief Clerk, House of Representatives.

SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

By Senator Cofer:

Whereas, During the past week committees of the Senate visited the following sections of the State, and the following public institutions in the State, on the public business of the State, and at such institutions distinguished favors and courtesies were shown to the Senate committees and the said committees were delightfully entertained, said committees during said time having visited the North Texas Normal located at Denton, Texas, and the College of Industrial Arts, at Denton, and the West Texas Normal at Canyon City, and the Epileptic Colony at Abilene; and,

Whereas, Said committees at all of these places were delightfully entertained by the officers and faculties and citizens living at said respective places; and,

Whereas, The Senate committees were honored by a banquet by the citizens of Amarillo; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate are hereby extended to the said institutions aforesaid, and especially to the Hon. W. H. Bruce and Hon. W. B. Bizzell and Hon. R. B. Cousins and Dr. Bass, the heads of the foregoing institutions, and to the citizens of Denton, Canyon City, and also the citizens of Amarillo and Abilene, for the courtesies extended on said visits.

Learning also that Hon. W. H. Dougherty of Gainesville, Texas, had prepared to entertain the committee of the Senate at Gainesville, at a private dinner, which entertainment the committees were compelled to forego for want of time; therefore, be it further

Resolved, That the thanks of the Senate are hereby extended to said W. H. Dougherty for said kindness and invitation.

And that engrossed copies of this resolution be mailed by the Secretary of the Senate to the above mentioned individuals.

Cofer, Terrell of Wise, Ratliff, Ward, Meachum, Johnson, Lattimore, Perkins, Greer, Willacy.

The resolution was read and adopted.

EXCUSED.

On account of committee work:

Senator Meachum for Monday and to noon today, on motion of Senator Astin.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading, by unanimous consent,

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 5, "Providing for the creation of a commission to investigate and report to the Legislature of this State during its present session a bill to fairly compensate employes for injuries received in the course of employment, and defining the duties of said commission, making an appropriation to carry same into effect, and declaring an emergency."

Resolution was read second time, and ordered engrossed.

On motion of Senator Watson, the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days was suspended and the bill put on its third reading and final passage by the following vote:

Yeas—25.

Adams.	Collins.
Astin.	Greer.
Bryan.	Hudspeth.
Carter.	Lattimore.
Cofer.	Mayfield.

McNealus.	Townsend.
Meachum.	Vaughan.
Murray.	Ward.
Peeler.	Warren.
Perkins.	Watson.
Ratliff.	Weinert.
Terrell.	McLennan.
Terrell, Wise.	Willacy.

Absent.

Hume.	Paulus.
Johnson.	Real.
Kauffman.	Sturgeon.

The resolution was read third time and passed by the following vote:

Yeas—26.

Adams.	Peeler.
Astin.	Perkins.
Bryan.	Ratliff.
Carter.	Real.
Cofer.	Terrell, McLennan.
Collins.	Terrell, Wise.
Greer.	Townsend.
Hudspeth.	Vaughan.
Lattimore.	Ward.
Mayfield.	Warren.
McNealus.	Watson.
Meachum.	Weinert.
Murray.	Willacy.

Absent.

Hume.	Paulus.
Johnson.	Sturgeon.
Kauffman	

Senator Watson moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and lay that motion on the table.

The motion to table prevailed.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The Chair here announced that the hour, 3:10 o'clock p. m., had arrived for the Senate to go into Executive Session for the purpose of considering appointments sent to the Senate by the Governor. The Sergeant-at-Arms was directed to clear the Senate chamber of those not entitled to remain.

In Executive Session the following confirmations were made:

To be Member of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission—J. Willis Johnson.

To be Member of the Board of

Trustees for the Agricultural and Mechanical College—R. L. Bennett.

To be Pilot Commissioners for the Port of Galveston—Charles H. Moore, Browning Gross, Daniel McBride, T. L. Cross and T. J. Anderson.

To be Public Weighers at Galveston—E. K. Marrast, J. E. Labuzan, C. M. Wolston and A. N. Hoecker.

To be Member of the Board of Regents for the College of Industrial Arts at Denton—S. P. Hardwicke.

To be Member of the Board of Managers of the State Orphans' Home at Corsicana—John H. Rice.

To be Members of the State Board of Pharmacy—J. A. Weeks, H. C. Jackson, W. H. Roberts, M. V. Schumann, J. R. Crittendon.

To be Members of the State Board of Nurse Examiners—Miss Maud Muller, Miss Mildred Bridges, Miss Lucy Bronson, Miss M. E. Chumley, Miss Clara L. Shackford.

To be Member of the State Mining Board—William Wimby.

To be Notaries Public in and for Travis County—F. H. Hargon, Miss Jennie Brin, Miss Minnie Simpson, Miss Louise Cope, H. L. Haynes, Charles V. Johnson, Miss Lena Riddle, Miss Annie Johnson, Herbert S. Morgan, J. H. French, A. B. Cates.

IN THE SENATE.

COMMUNICATION.

The Chair had the following read to the Senate and directed same printed in the Journal:

Austin, Texas, Feb. 7, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate, and Hon. Sam T. Rayburn, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Gentlemen: I see by the morning paper that the special train to carry your respective bodies to the Agricultural and Mechanical College will leave Austin at 6 o'clock on the morning of Saturday, February 11.

This, as you doubtless know, is some earlier in the day than our street cars cover the city, but for the information and convenience of the members of the Legislature, I beg to say our company will have the system in full operation before that hour, covering all the lines from Twenty-seventh street to the depots,

that those wishing to go on the trip to the College may have the easiest and most approved mode of travel from their respective homes, boarding houses and hotels to the train, the street cars leaving Twenty-eighth street via Belt on Rio Grande street, Main line, Duval street line, Blind Institute line, East End and South Austin at 5:30 o'clock, arriving at the depots in ample time to permit the purchase of tickets, etc.

I wish also to advise that for the further convenience of those taking that trip, that a sufficient number of street cars will be in waiting at the depot on the return of the special train to this city to convey the returning excursionists to the places of abode.

Yours very truly,

W. J. JONES,

Vice President.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

Executive Office,
State of Texas.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 7, 1911.

To Honorable Lieutenant Governor,
Senate Chamber.

Dear Sir: In submitting list of appointees to the Senate this morning for confirmation the Governor submitted the name of R. D. Bennett of Lamar county for membership on the Board of Trustees of the A. & M. College. We find upon farther investigation that Mr. Bennett's initials are R. L.

The Governor will thank you to instruct the clerk to make the change in initials, if it can be done.

Yours very truly,

J. T. BOWMAN,

Private Secretary.

By motion of Senator Hume the Secretary was authorized to change the initials as above requested.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

Executive Office,
State of Texas.

Austin, Texas, Feb. 7, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, Lieutenant Governor, Hon. Sam Rayburn, Speaker of the House, Building.

Gentlemen: By the terms of Chapter 87, Acts of the regular session of the Thirty-first Legislature, an appropriation of \$10,000 is made

to purchase the books and papers of Hon. Jno. H. Reagan.

The Governor is authorized to approve an account for said books and papers upon the delivery of same and the proper transfer thereof. I have indicated to Mrs. Reagan my willingness to approve a voucher in payment of said books and papers. She has caused the same to be delivered to the State Librarian upon my request.

I am writing to ask each of you to appoint a committee of one or more to make such examination of these papers as they may deem advisable before I finally approve voucher for the money appropriated. I respectfully ask that you appoint this committee at once.

Yours truly,
O. B. COLQUITT,
Governor.

In accordance with the above the chair, President Pro Tem. Hudspeth, announced the appointment of the following as the committee requested: Senators Willacy, Adams and Carter on part of the Senate.

(Senator Meachum in the chair.)

SENATE BILL NO. 52.

On motion of Senator Bryan, the pending order of business (simple resolutions) was suspended, and the senate took up, out of its order Senate bill No. 52, by the following vote:

Yeas—23.

Adams.	Perkins.
Astin.	Ratliff.
Bryan.	Real.
Carter.	Terrell, McLennan.
Cofer.	Terrell, Wise.
Collins.	Townsend.
Lattimore.	Ward.
Mayfield.	Warren.
McNealus.	Watson.
Meachum.	Weinert.
Murray.	Willacy.
Peeler.	

Nays—1.

Vaughan.

Present—Not Voting.

Hume.

Absent.

Greer.	Kauffman.
Hudspeth.	Paulus.
Johnson.	Sturgeon.

The Chair laid before the Senate on second reading.

Senate bill No. 52, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 5232b, Title 104, of the Revised Civil Statutes of the State of Texas of 1895, as amended by Section 2, Chapter 103 of the General Laws of the State of Texas, passed by the Twenty-fifth Legislature, relating to the collection of taxes, heretofore and that may hereafter be levied; making such taxes a lien on the lands taxed; establishing and continuing such lien; and providing for the sale and conveyance of land delinquent for taxes since January 1, 1901, which may have been returned delinquent or reported sold to the State or to any county, city or town"

The bill having been read,

Senator Watson offered the following amendment:

Amend the printed bill, line 22, by striking out the figures 1901 and insert in lieu thereof the following: 1885.

SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

By Senator Hume, by unanimous consent:

Whereas, Hon. Lock McDaniel of Houston, Texas, a distinguished Texan, United States District Attorney for the Southern District of Texas, is present in the Senate gallery,

Therefore, be it resolved, that he be invited to address the Senate forthwith and that a committee of three be appointed to escort him to the President's stand.

Hume, Meachum, Kauffman.

The resolution was read and adopted.

The Chair appointed Senators Hume, Warren, Real and Kauffman as a committee to escort Mr. McDaniel to the President's stand, and after being introduced, addressed the Senate briefly.

SENATE BILL NO. 52.

Action recurred on Senate bill No. 52, the question being on the amendment by Senator Watson, and

Senator Ratliff offered the following amendment to the amendment:

Amend the amendment by striking out "1885" and inserting "1895" in lieu thereof.

Pending discussion, Senator Mayfield moved the previous question on the pending amendments and the en-

grossment of the bill.

The motion for the previous question being duly recorded, was so ordered.

Action then recurred on the amendment to the amendment, and the same was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—11.

Adams.	Lattimore.
Astin.	Ratliff.
Bryan.	Real.
Carter.	Ward.
Cofer.	Weinert.
Collins.	

Nays—16.

Hudspeth.	Perkins.
Hume.	Terrell, McLennan.
Kauffman.	Terrell, Wise.
Mayfield.	Townsend.
McNealus.	Vaughan.
Meachum.	Warren.
Murray.	Watson.
Peeler.	Willacy.

Absent.

Greer.	Paulus.
Johnson.	Sturgeon.

Action then recurred on the amendment, and the same was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—18.

Carter.	Peeler.
Cofer.	Perkins.
Hudspeth.	Terrell, McLennan.
Hume.	Terrell, Wise.
Kauffman.	Townsend.
Mayfield.	Vaughan.
McNealus.	Warren.
Meachum.	Watson.
Murray.	Willacy.

Nays—9.

Adams.	Ratliff.
Astin.	Real.
Bryan.	Ward.
Collins.	Weinert.
Lattimore.	

Absent.

Greer.	Paulus.
Johnson.	Sturgeon.

Action then recurred on the engrossment of the bill.

Senator Murray made the point of order that the bill, as amended, did not change the present law on the same subject, and it was the same as striking out the enacting clause.

The Chair overruled the point of order.

Senator Watson moved to rescind the vote by which the previous question had been ordered, and

Senator Weinert moved that the bill be recommitted to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

Senator Hudspeth moved to table the motion to recommit, and the motion to table prevailed.

Action recurred on the motion to rescind the vote by which the previous question was ordered, and the same was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—14.

Adams.	Peeler.
Astin.	Ratliff.
Bryan.	Real.
Cofer.	Terrell, McLennan.
Collins.	Ward.
Lattimore.	Watson.
Meachum.	Willacy.

Nays—13.

Carter.	Perkins.
Hudspeth.	Terrell, Wise.
Hume.	Townsend.
Kauffman.	Vaughan.
Mayfield.	Warren.
McNealus.	Weinert.
Murray.	

Absent.

Greer.	Paulus.
Johnson.	Sturgeon.

Pending discussion, Senator Bryan moved that the bill be recommitted to Judiciary Committee No. 1.

Senator Hudspeth moved to table the motion to recommit, which motion to table was adopted.

Senator Watson offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend the bill by striking out all of line 15, page 1.

Watson, Willacy and Hudspeth.

The amendment was adopted, which killed the bill.

SENATE BILL NO. 12—MADE SPECIAL ORDER.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

Senator Weinert called up Senate bill No. 12, "An Act to provide for the suspension of sentence in certain cases of conviction of felony for first offenses, upon recommendation of the jury, and for the submission of the issue to the jury by the court; to

provide the duration of suspension of sentence, and for pronouncing sentence after suspension thereof in case of final conviction of the defendant of any other felony, and for cumulating punishment in such cases, and providing for an emergency."

On motion of Senator Weinert, the bill was made a special order for next Friday, after the conclusion of the morning call.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

The Chair laid before the Senate, by unanimous consent,

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 3, A concurrent resolution "Providing for the publication of the Manual of the Thirty-second Legislature," which was read.

Senator Cofer offered the following amendment, which was read and adopted:

Amend line 14, page 1, printed resolution, so as to strike out the words "in the First Called Session in Standing Committees."

The resolution was then adopted.

SIMPLE RESOLUTION.

By Senator Collins (by unanimous consent):

Whereas, The recent sub-committee was appointed by the Senate to visit the Medical Department of the University and the Quarantine Station at Galveston and the Sam Houston Normal Institute at Huntsville; and,

Whereas, Your committee performed said service to the best of its ability, and were received by the citizens of Galveston and Huntsville and those in charge of said institutions in the most courteous manner, and were shown the minutest details of the workings of said institutions; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the citizens of Galveston and Huntsville and those in charge of said institutions receive the thanks of the Senate for the various courtesies extended.

Collins, Meachum, Paulus, Kauffman, Murray.

The resolution was read and adopted.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Senator Perkins, the Senate, at 6:15 o'clock p. m., adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

APPENDIX.

COMMITTEE REPORTS.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 7, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a majority of your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 30, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the courts of the State of Texas to disregard errors not affecting the substantial rights of the party or parties seeking to reverse or set aside the judgment in civil and criminal cases or to secure the new trial, and declaring an emergency."

Have had same under consideration, and beg to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

WARD, Chairman.

(Minority Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 7, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a minority of your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 30, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the courts of the State of Texas to disregard errors not affecting the substantial rights of the party or parties seeking to reverse or set aside the judgment in civil and criminal cases or to secure the new trial, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and beg to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Ward, Vaughan, Warren.

(Majority Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 7, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Judiciary Committee No. 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 117, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring the courts to take judicial notice of the fact that the qualified voters of any county, justice's precinct, town, city or other subdivision of a county that has by a majority vote determined that the sale of intoxicating liquors shall be prohibited within the prescribed limits of such county, justice precinct, town, city or other subdivision of a county, and allowing the existence of such law, and declaring an emergency."

Have had same under consideration and beg to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

WARD, Chairman.

(Minority Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 7, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, a minority of your Judiciary Committee on 1, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 117, A bill to be entitled "An Act requiring the courts to take judicial notice of the fact that the qualified voters of any county, justice's precinct, town, city or other subdivision of a county that has by a majority vote determined that the sale of intoxicating liquors shall be prohibited within the prescribed limits of such county, justice precinct, town, city or other subdivision of a county and allowing the existence of such law, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration and beg to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass.

Watson, Murray, Weinert.

(Floor Report.)

(By Unanimous Consent.)

Austin, Texas, Feb. 7, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 192, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 20 of Chapter 41, Special Laws of the Acts of the Twenty-ninth Legislature of the State of Texas, entitled An Act

to create a more efficient road system for Dallas county, Texas, fixing the duties and powers of the Commissioners' Court of said county relative to roads and bridges, to authorize the Commissioners' Court of Dallas county to issue bonds for the purpose of building, constructing and repairing roads and bridges in said county and prescribing limitations upon the exercise of such power, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Greer, Chairman; Weinert, Perkins, Kauffman.

(Floor Report.)

(By Unanimous Consent.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 7, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Roads, Bridges and Ferries, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 188, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Section 14 of Special Road Law of Johnson county, passed at the Regular Session of the Twenty-ninth Legislature,"

Have had same under consideration and beg to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

Greer, Chairman; Perkins, Kauffman, Weinert.

(Floor Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Jan. 27, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sr: We, your Committee on Stock and Stock Raising, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 140, by Watson, being a bill to amend Section 1 of Chapter 128 of the Acts of the Twenty-sixth Legislature, and Chapter 57 of the Acts of the Thirtieth Legislature, pertaining to stock running at large.

Have had the same under consideration and beg leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, and be not printed.

Adams, Chairman; Bryan, Johnson, Mayfield, Murray, Lattimore, Willacy.

(Floor Report.)

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 7, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Judicial Districts, to whom was referred

House bill No. 89, A bill to be entitled "An Act to confer upon the county court of Jasper county the civil and criminal jurisdiction belonging to said court under the Constitution and General Statutes of Texas, to define the jurisdiction of said court, to conform the jurisdiction of the district court of said county to said change, to fix the time of holding court, and to repeal all laws in conflict with this act, and declaring an emergency."

Beg leave to report that we have had said bill under consideration, and recommend that same do pass, and be not printed.

Hudspeth, Chairman; Murray, Paulus, Kauffman, Hume, Carter, Weinert, Watson, McNealus, Peeler, Meachum.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 6, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Labor, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 56, A bill to be entitled "An Act to prohibit the operation of street cars and interurban cars unless such cars are provided with screens or vestibules which will protect the motormen, gripmen or other operators of such cars from inclement weather, from the first day of November until the fifteenth day of March of each year; to provide penalties for the violation of this Act; and fees and commissions for attorneys bringing suits; and to fix venue for such suits."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

MAYFIELD, Chairman

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 6, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Labor, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 15, A bill to be entitled "An Act to regulate the employment of children in mills, workshops, mercantile, mechanical or manufacturing establishments, stores, business offices, telegraphic offices, restaurants, hotels, apartment houses, mines, quarries, distilleries, breweries and any establishment using machinery, and in the distribution or transmission or merchandise or messages, and to provide penalties for the violation of the same."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

MAYFIELD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 6, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Labor, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 124, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the office of State Inspector of Masonry, fixing the term of said office, prescribing the qualifications and compensation of the incumbent thereof, and fixing and defining his duties, etc."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that the following committee substitute, to be entitled "An Act creating the office of State Inspector of Masonry, fixing the term of said office, prescribing the qualifications and compensation of the incumbent thereof, and fixing and defining his duties, etc." do pass in lieu thereof with the following amendments:

First. Amend committee substitute by adding after the word masonry in the caption, line 1, the following words: "public buildings and works."

Second. Amend committee substitute, Section 1, line 1, by adding after the word masonry the following words: "public buildings and works."

MAYFIELD, Chairman.

(Committee Substitute.)

A BILL

To be entitled

"An Act creating the office of State Inspector of Masonry, fixing the term of said office, prescribing the qualifications and compensation of

the incumbent thereof and fixing and defining his duties, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas:

Section 1. That the office of State Inspector of Masonry is hereby created, who shall be appointed by the Governor and shall hold his office for the term of two years, from the date of his appointment, and shall be paid an annual salary of \$2,000, one-twelfth (1-12) thereof to be paid at the end of each month's service, and his actual and necessary traveling expenses while in the performance of his duties under this Act; provided, however, that such expenses shall not exceed \$1,500 per annum. Such expenses to be paid monthly at the end of each month, on itemized accounts signed and sworn to by the Inspector of Masonry and filed with the Comptroller of Public Accounts.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of said Inspector of Masonry to carefully examine and inspect the material and workmanship of all buildings and other structures and additions thereto that may be constructed by contract or otherwise for the State of Texas, out of brick or stone, or substitutes therefor, and to see that such buildings are constructed in accordance with the contract, the plans and specifications therefor, and such buildings, structures or additions shall be constructed under the supervision of the State Inspector of Masonry, and the work, workmanship and material thereof shall be subject to his approval.

Sec. 3. No person shall be appointed to said office except a skilled mechanic, who has had at least ten years' practical experience next prior to his appointment, in brick and masonry work and the substitutes therefor.

Sec. 4. The fact that there is now in contemplation the construction of a number of buildings by the State, and that there is now no officer authorized by law to inspect the same and to protect the interest of the State in construction thereof, creates an emergency and an imperative public necessity that the constitutional rule requiring all bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that this Act take effect

and be in force from and after its passage, and it is so enacted.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 6, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Labor, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 126, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend an Act of the Thirty-first Legislature, entitled 'An Act to create a Bureau of Labor Statistics, and to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of said Bureau, and to fix the duties of the said Commissioner, and to provide for the organization and maintenance of the said Bureau, and for the collection, preservation and dissemination of Labor Statistics in Texas, and declaring an emergency,' so as to provide for the appointment by the Commissioner of Labor Statistics of an Inspector of Safety Appliances and also to provide for the appointment by such commissioner of a clerk and factory inspector, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do not pass, but that House bill No. 51 do pass in lieu thereof.

MAYFIELD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 6, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your committee on Labor, to whom was referred

House bill No. 51, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend an Act of the Thirty-first Legislature, entitled 'An Act to create a Bureau of Labor Statistics, and to provide for the appointment of a Commissioner of said Bureau, and to fix the duties of the said Commissioner, and to provide for the organization and maintenance of said Bureau, and for the collection, preservation and dissemination of labor statistics in Texas, Texas, and declaring an emergency,' so as to provide for the appointment by the Commissioner of Labor Statistics of an Inspector of Safety Appliances, and also to provide for the appointment by such of a Clerk and Factory Inspector, increasing the appropriation for traveling expenses, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

MAYFIELD, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 129, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Article 4542, Chapter 10, Title 94 Revised Statutes of Texas of 1895, relating to passenger fares upon railroads."

Have had the same under consideration and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass, with the following amendment:

Amend the bill by striking out all of lines 7 and 8 of Article 4542 and insert in lieu thereof the following:

Between the ages of seven years and twelve years of age be charged a higher rate of fare than one and one-half cents per mile; and no charge shall be made for children under the age of seven years, provided however, that all children under the age of seven years shall be accompanied by an adult passenger.

KAUFFMAN, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 8, A bill to be entitled "An Act to require any person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of transmitting for hire, messages or dispatches by telegraph between points within the State of Texas; and any person, firm or corporation engaged in the business of operating for hire a system of telephones between points within the State of Texas; and any person, firm or corporation which may hereafter engage in the business of operating for hire a system of telegraph or telephone, whether with or without wires, to furnish to the recipient of each message or dispatch, in writing on the copy thereof delivered to such recipient the word 'Filed,' and the hour and minute such message or dispatch was received for transmission; and to furnish

to the recipients of long distance telephone calls a statement, when such recipients are first notified of such calls, of the hour and minute such person, firm or corporation was first requested, notified or ordered to provide the means for conversation by long distance telephones; and providing penalties for violation of the terms and provisions contained in the body of the Act by any of the persons, firms or corporations who are affected by or who may hereafter become subject to its terms and provisions."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

KAUFFMAN, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 72, A bill to be entitled "An Act to increase the liability of all employers of laborers, defining 'Employer' and 'employee,' perpetuating a cause of action in favor of heirs or legal representatives of an employee, whose injuries result in death, declaring void all contracts and agreements made by an employee, releasing employers from damages before a right of action accrues in favor of such employee, and providing in the alternative for the above, a general system of accident insurance of employees by their employers, abolishing any cause of action against employers where they have complied with said requirements, as to insuring their employees, establishing the extent of liability of the insurance of employers as to certain designated injuries, and providing for adjustment by arbitration, between the insurer and the insured, of all claims for damages for personal injuries by an employee, against the insurer, where the same is not fixed by law, and where the injured party and the insurer cannot agree, making certain requirements of any individual, co-partnership, or corporation, desiring to become an insurer under the terms of this Act, requiring all employers to report accidents occurring to their employees, when same is known, and making it a misdemeanor to fail to do so within ninety days from the time of such accident, and providing

a penalty therefor, fixing the distribution of the proceeds of insurance carried on any employe, where he receives injuries resulting in death, and providing for the deposit of the proceeds of such insurance in the county treasury in the county where same is not claimed by the beneficiaries under this law, providing how such claim shall be established after it is deposited in said treasury, and publication thereof is made, making it the duty of the county attorney to represent the county against any claim that may be filed, providing for the trial of the issues and appeal from such trial, and providing for compensation of the county attorney for representing the county in such cases and repealing all laws in conflict herewith."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

KAUFFMAN, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

Senate bill No 137, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating a State Boiler Inspection Board, prescribing the power and duties of its members, providing for the appointment of a State Chief Boiler Inspector and Subordinate Boiler Inspector prescribing their power and duties and fixing the amount of bond required and the amount of salaries to be paid for services performed, and fixing penalties for non-performance of duties, providing certain duties for owners or operators of Steam Boilers, and fixing penalties for failure to perform same, providing for the exemption of steam boilers from inspection by government inspectors under certain conditions, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

KAUFFMAN, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We your Committee on In-

ternal Improvements, to whom was referred

House Concurrent Resolution No. 9, "Providing that the Attorney General be requested to investigate the book affairs of the Southwestern Telegraph and Telephone Company; the Bell Telephone Company; Western Union Telegraph Company; Postal Telegraph Company; Western Electric Company; General Electric Company; the United States Electrical Corporation of New Jersey and its branches in Texas; and the Stone-Webster interests; and see if there is an Electrical monopoly or trust existing in this State."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

KAUFFMAN, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 159, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company to lease that portion of the railroad of the Pecos & Northern Texas Railway Company situated between Coleman, Texas, and Sweetwater, Texas, including the railway terminals and other property of the Pecos & Northern Texas Railway Company, now or hereafter situated in said cities of Coleman and Sweetwater, and until such lease shall be made to authorize the Pecos & Northern Texas Railway Company to contract with the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company for the operation by the officers of the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company of said railroad and other property for account of the Pecos & Northern Texas Railway Company."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

KAUFFMAN, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 54, A bill to be entitled, "An Act to provide an additional method of obtaining service of process on any foreign or non-resident corporation or any receiver, therefor, doing business in this State, or which has an agent or agents in this engaged in soliciting business for such corporation or receiver, or who are engaged in transacting in this State any of the business of such corporation; and also to provide an additional method of obtaining service of process on any non-resident railway corporation, or any receiver thereof doing business in this State, which has or maintains in this State an agent or agents, or agency engaged in soliciting business for such corporation or receiver, or who transacts for such corporation or receiver in this State, any part of its business or who sells tickets or makes contracts for the carriage of persons or property over the lines of such corporation, which contracts are recognized, acquiesced in and acted on by such corporation or receiver, or which permits its trains operated over its own lines by its crews to pass or run without any material change in such trains or crews."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

KAUFFMAN, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 55, A bill to be entitled "An Act prohibiting railroad corporations and receivers thereof, and other persons, firms and association or persons engaged as a common carrier in the transportation of persons for hire, and the agents of any such railroad corporation, or receiver thereof, and of any other such person, firm or association of persons from charging, receiving or accepting compensation from such transportation on Sunday less than the amount charged by such railroad corporation, or receiver thereof, or such other person, firm or association of persons, for any such transportation on any other day; making any violation of this Act a misdemeanor, and prescribing punishment therefor, and prescribing venue of such offenses."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

KAUFFMAN, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 169, A bill to be entitled "An Act conferring authority upon the Railroad Commission, and making it its duty to adopt all necessary rates, charges and regulations to govern and regulate wharf companies and terminal railroad companies; providing, that all laws made and prescribed for the government and control of railroads shall, as far as applicable, be of equal force against such wharf and terminal companies, authorizing the Commission to require reports by such companies, and giving to said Commission power to correct abuses and prevent unjust discrimination and extortion in rates or charges of such companies or any abuses by such companies; providing penalties for the violation of this Act, and declaring an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

KAUFFMAN, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 171, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas to purchase, own and operate as a part of its line, the railroad of the Stephenville, North & South Texas Railway Company, together with all the franchises and property incident or appertaining thereto the railroad of the Eastern Texas Railway Company, together with all the franchises and property incident or appertaining thereto, or either of such railroads, together with its franchises and property incident or appertaining thereto; and to authorize the Stephenville, North & South Texas Railway Company and the Eastern Texas Railway Company,

each, to sell its railroad, together with all the franchises and property incident or appertaining thereto to the said St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas, and to authorize the latter company after such purchase of either of said railroads, to operate the same under its charter as part of its own line, and to extend the lines of roads so purchased and to construct branches therefrom by amendment to its charter under the General Laws of the State of Texas. And until such purchase is made, to authorize the lease by the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas of the railroads and other properties of the Stephenville, North & South Texas Railway Company for a term, or terms, not exceeding fifty years; and until such purchase is made, to authorize the St. Louis Southwestern Railway Company of Texas to purchase and own the capital stock of the Stephenville, North & South Texas Railway Company, and to regulate the reports and operations of either of said railroads and property after the lease or purchase thereof; and to authorize each of said railway companies to execute all necessary contracts, agreements and conveyances to accomplish said purchase and sale, and declare an emergency."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

KAUFFMAN, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 2, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: We, your Committee on Internal Improvements, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 160, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company to purchase the railroads and all other property of the Concho, San Saba & Llano Valley Railway Company, now owned and hereafter acquired, and to operate the same under the charter of the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company

as part of its own line, with the right to extend the said road and to construct branches therefrom by amendment of its charter under the General Laws of the State of Texas; and to authorize the corporation or corporations, person or persons, now or here-

after owning the said property to sell the same to the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company, and until such purchase is made to authorize the lease by the Gulf, Colorado & Santa Fe Railway Company of the railroad and other properties of said other company."

Have had the same under consideration, and I am instructed to report it back to the Senate with the recommendation that it do pass.

KAUFFMAN, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 7, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared,

Senate bill No. 50, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for El Paso County, Texas; making the county commissioners of said county ex officio road commissioners and prescribing their duties and compensation; providing for the working of persons subject to road duty upon public roads and city streets, and providing for the amount of time that shall be allowed for teams on road work, and providing for the payment of \$3 in lieu of road work; making delinquent poll tax payers subject to road duty; making it unlawful and providing penalties for injuring any road or anything placed thereon for its benefit, and for injuring trees growing on any public road, and for throwing nails, tacks, glass and like substances upon any public road, and for hauling over a public road a vehicle with wheels that tear and injure the road, and for erecting fences or other encroachments upon a public road; and providing for the passage of vehicles on the road and fixing a penalty for failure to comply with such provisions; providing for the condemnation of land for road purposes and making it cumulative of the general law; and declaring an emergency."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

COFER, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 7, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 17, A bill to be entitled "An Act to create a more efficient road system for Nolan county, Texas, and making county commissioners ex officio road commissioners of their respective precincts, and prescribing their powers and duties as such, and providing for the compensation of such road commissioners, and providing for the purchase of material for the construction and maintenance of roads and bridges, and providing for the compensation for such material and prescribing certain duties for road overseers; providing a compensation of \$2.00 per day for overseers for each day's service per year in excess of five days; providing certain duties for county treasurers; providing that any person liable for road duty any year shall be exempt upon the payment of \$3.00 into the county treasury; providing for money payment in lieu of work after summons and before date of work; providing that this Act is cumulative of the general laws and fixing penalties and declaring an emergency."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

COFER, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 7, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 131, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 80, special laws passed by the regular session of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Texas, approved April 15, 1907, and to amend Chapter 71 of the special laws passed by the Regular Session of the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, approved March 17, 1909, and to create a more efficient road law for Lee county, Texas, authorize and empower the said county to issue bonds or levy a tax for the construction of bridges and the construction and maintenance of public roads and highways in said county, and regulating the compensation of certain officers, providing for the working of convicts on county roads, relieving certain persons subject to road duty from such duty upon the payment of certain sums of money, providing for the number of days road hands are

subject to duty and providing certain duties and powers of the commissioners' court of said county, and fixing the compensation of the members of said court for said services, providing for the collection of poll taxes due the county by labor upon public roads, providing for the condemnation of lands and property for public road use, providing for certain drainage ditches, pits, etc., and providing for the creation of road precincts and changes therein, and for the appointment of road overseers, and providing for the working of said public roads and providing that the commissioners shall be supervisors and instructors of said roads and for their salary therefor and providing for the prorating of all funds derived from road tax among the several commissioners' precincts, and providing for the payment of officers costs' in cases where county convicts are worked upon county roads and authorizing and empowering commissioner' court to contract with individuals for the construction and repair of bridges and culverts and for the purchase of all necessary teams, tools, and road machinery deemed necessary, and declaring an emergency."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

COFER, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, Feb. 7, 1911.

Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills have carefully examined and compared

Senate bill No. 92, A bill to be entitled "An Act to amend Chapter 69 and Chapter 124 of the Acts of the Regular Session of the Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Texas, as amended by the Second Called Session of the Thirty-first Legislature, said amended Act being known as Chapter 18, and approved May 12, 1909, transferring the county of Bee from the Twenty-fourth Judicial District to the Thirty-sixth Judicial District, and to change the time of holding district court in said Twenty-fourth and Thirty-sixth Judicial Districts, and declaring an emergency."

And find the same correctly engrossed.

COFER, Chairman.

Committee Room,
Austin, Texas, Feb. 7, 1911.
Hon. A. B. Davidson, President of
the Senate.

Sir: Your Committee on En-
grossed Bills have carefully exam-
ined and compared

Senate bill No. 66, A bill to be en-
titled "An Act to validate and le-
galize all sales of real estate belong-
ing or that belonged to Gaines
county, situated in the town of Semi-
nole in Gaines county, heretofore
made at private sale for and in be-
half of said county by J. W. Miller
in his representative capacity as
commissioner, under appointment of
the commissioners' court of said
county, by orders entered upon its
minutes, to sell and dispose of real
estate of said county situated in said
town, and also validating all convey-
ances of said real estate made by
said commissioner as such, in con-
summating such sales, and declaring
an emergency."

And find the same correctly en-
grossed.

COFER, Chairman.

PETITIONS AND MEMORIALS.

By Senator Peeler:

Petition numerously signed by
members of the order of Sons of
Hermann of Texas, asking the Legis-
lature to amend Section 10, Chapter
36, Acts of the Thirty-first Legisla-
ture.

By Senator Ward:

Petition numerously signed by
citizens of his district asking the
Legislature to change the present
laws so as to eliminate Sunday fairs,
shows, racing, hunting, fishing,
games, sports and excursions.

By Senator Collins:

Petition numerously signed by
citizens of his district asking support
of the White Slave Traffic and Cig-
arette bills.

By Senator Peeler:

Petition numerously signed by
members of Strickland Grove Farm-
ers' Union No. 215, requesting sup-
port of the following Farmers' Union
measures: House bill No. 99, Senate
bill 23, House bill 32, Senate bill 46,
House bill 124, Senate bill 82; also

bills providing for teaching cotton
classing in public schools, requiring
teachers' examinations in agricul-
ture, and adopting the initiation
measure.

By Senator Lattimore:

Notification of resolution adopted
by a mass meeting of Fort Worth
business men, February 4, 1911, pe-
titioning the Legislature to enact
legislation authorizing the Missouri,
Kansas and Texas Railway Company
to lease the Texas Central Railroad
and operate same as a part of the
M., K. & T. Ry. system and further
to grant the M., K. & T. system the
right to purchase the Texas Central
Ry. Co. during the lifetime of the
lease of twenty-five years.

EIGHTEENTH DAY.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas,

Wednesday, Feb. 8, 1911.

The Senate met pursuant to ad-
journalment, and was called to order
by President Pro Tem. Hudspeth.

Roll called, quorum being present,
the following Senators answering to
their names:

Adams.	Murray.
Astin.	Peeler.
Bryan.	Perkins.
Carter.	Ratliff.
Cofer.	Real.
Collins.	Terrell, McLennan.
Greer.	Terrell, Wise.
Hudspeth.	Townsend.
Hume.	Vaughan.
Johnson.	Ward.
Kauffman.	Warren.
Lattimore.	Watson.
Mayfield.	Weinert.
McNealus.	Willacy.
Meachum.	

Absent.

Paulus. Sturgeon.

Prayer by the chaplain.

Pending the reading of the Journal
of yesterday, on motion of Senator
Mayfield the same was dispensed with.

REGULAR ORDER.

The regular order of business was
called (see Appendix for "Committee
Reports" and "Petitions and Memo-
rials").